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Concentrations

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This Submission is responsive to the Office Action of July 15, 2002 in the above-identified application, the term for response having been extended three (3) months by including the appropriate fee and petition herewith. A Request For Continued Examination (RCE) is being filed herewith.

In response to the Office Action, please make the following changes in the application.

In the claims:

Please amend claim 58 as follows:

58. A composition comprising:
- (a) a drug in a pharmaceutically acceptable solubility-improved form; and
 - (b) a concentration-enhancing polymer combined with said drug in a sufficient amount so that said composition provides, after introduction to a use environment, a relative bioavailability of at least 1.25 relative to a control composition that is free from said concentration-enhancing polymer and comprises an equivalent quantity of said drug in said solubility-improved form,